## 111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. RES. 392

Congratulating and commending Free Comic Book Day as an enjoyable and creative approach to promoting literacy and celebrating a unique American art form.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 30, 2009

Mr. Ruppersberger submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

## **RESOLUTION**

- Congratulating and commending Free Comic Book Day as an enjoyable and creative approach to promoting literacy and celebrating a unique American art form.
- Whereas Free Comic Book Day promotes literacy by distributing free reading material on the first Saturday of May;
- Whereas Free Comic Book Day is dedicated to increasing awareness of and an interest in comics through an innovative marketing campaign;
- Whereas comics have proven to be a wonderful educational tool to help reluctant readers to take an interest in, and develop a life-long love of, reading;
- Whereas comic books are a fun and exciting way to introduce kids to reading and help children comprehend storylines;

- Whereas a growing number of schools are using comics to teach kids narration, dialogue, and visual design;
- Whereas the fastest growing section of public libraries is the comic book "graphic novel" section; and
- Whereas comics and graphic novels are increasingly being recognized as serious literature: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives con-
  - 2 gratulates and commends Free Comic Book Day as an en-
  - 3 joyable and creative approach to promoting literacy and
  - 4 celebrating a unique American art form.

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